
➤ Second Sunday of Advent ➤

ORDER OF WORSHIP • DECEMBER 7, 2025 • 9:00 AM

✝ Indicates the congregation should stand as able.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & GREETING

✝ OPENING HYMN

HARK, THE GLAD SOUND!

LBW #35

✝ INVOCATION

WL: In In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost,
✝ one God, who comes to wake us from sleep, who leads us into
the light of grace.

All: Amen.

✝ CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

WL: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

a time of silence for reflection

WL: Long-expected God,

All: **we confess that we look to ourselves**

for the peace and security only you can provide.

We reach for swords and spears,

reluctant to release our grip on the ways of war.

We become impatient while waiting

and weary of keeping awake.

Free us from self-reliance,

and teach us to live in harmony with our neighbors.

Increase our trust in God's timing,

and awaken us to your advent among us,

that we may abound in the hope you have promised. Amen.

WL: Brothers and Sisters, the light of Christ has come into the world,
bringing us salvation. In Christ ✝ you are freed and forgiven,
empowered to serve, and called to be people of light.

All: **Amen. Thanks be to God!**

The 1st and 2nd Advent candles are lighted as we sing.

✝ WREATH LIGHTING

KINDLE A FLAME

Kindle a flame to lighten the dark and take all fear away.

FIRST LESSON

ISAIAH 11:1-10

R: Our First Lesson on this Second Sunday of Advent is from the 11th chapter of the prophet Isaiah.

A shoot will come up from the stump of Jesse;
from his roots a Branch will bear fruit.

The Spirit of the Lord will rest on him—
the Spirit of wisdom and of understanding,
the Spirit of counsel and of might,
the Spirit of the knowledge and fear of the Lord—
and he will delight in the fear of the Lord.

He will not judge by what he sees with his eyes,
or decide by what he hears with his ears;
but with righteousness he will judge the needy,
with justice he will give decisions for the poor of the earth.
He will strike the earth with the rod of his mouth;
with the breath of his lips he will slay the wicked.
Righteousness will be his belt
and faithfulness the sash around his waist.

The wolf will live with the lamb,
the leopard will lie down with the goat,
the calf and the lion and the yearling together;
and a little child will lead them.

The cow will feed with the bear,
their young will lie down together,
and the lion will eat straw like the ox.

The infant will play near the cobra's den,
and the young child will put its hand into the viper's nest.

They will neither harm nor destroy
on all my holy mountain,
for the earth will be filled with the knowledge of the Lord
as the waters cover the sea.

In that day the Root of Jesse will stand as a banner for the peoples; the nations will rally to him, and his resting place will be glorious.

WL: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SECOND LESSON

ROMANS 15:4-13

R: Our Second Lesson is from the 15th chapter of Paul's letter to the Romans.

For everything that was written in the past was written to teach us, so that through the endurance taught in the Scriptures and the encouragement they provide we might have hope.

May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give you the same attitude of mind toward each other that Christ Jesus had, so that with one mind and one voice you may glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Accept one another, then, just as Christ accepted you, in order to bring praise to God. For I tell you that Christ has become a servant of the Jews on behalf of God's truth, so that the promises made to the patriarchs might be confirmed and, moreover, that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written:

“Therefore I will praise you among the Gentiles;
I will sing the praises of your name.”

Again, it says,

“Rejoice, you Gentiles, with his people.”

And again,

“Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles;
let all the peoples extol him.”

And again, Isaiah says,

“The Root of Jesse will spring up,
one who will arise to rule over the nations;
in him the Gentiles will hope.”

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

WL: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

✠ VERSE

Keep Your Lamps Trimmed and Burning

**Keep your lamps trimmed and burning,
Keep your lamps trimmed and burning,
Keep your lamps trimmed and burning.**

The Lord is drawing nigh.

REPEAT ALL

✠ HOLY GOSPEL LESSON

MATTHEW 3:1-12

WL: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 3rd chapter.

All: **Glory to You, O Lord!**

In those days John the Baptist came, preaching in the wilderness of Judea and saying, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near." This is he who was spoken of through the prophet Isaiah:

"A voice of one calling in the wilderness,
'Prepare the way for the Lord,
make straight paths for him.'"

John's clothes were made of camel's hair, and he had a leather belt around his waist. His food was locusts and wild honey. People went out to him from Jerusalem and all Judea and the whole region of the Jordan. Confessing their sins, they were baptized by him in the Jordan River.

But when he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming to where he was baptizing, he said to them: "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the coming wrath? Produce fruit in keeping with repentance. And do not think you can say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our father.' I tell you that out of these stones God can raise up children for Abraham. The ax is already at the root of the trees, and every tree that does not produce good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire.

"I baptize you with water for repentance. But after me comes one who is more powerful than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor, gathering his wheat into the barn and burning up the chaff with unquenchable fire."

WL: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: **Praise to You O Christ!**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

TODAY'S MESSAGE

✠ MESSAGE HYMN

ON JORDAN'S BANKS THE
BAPTIST'S CRY
LBW #36

✠ PROFESSION OF FAITH

Nicene Creed

WL: Together we confess our faith using the words of the Nicene Creed.

All: I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

*Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.***

GATHERING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

✠ PREFACE

WL: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

WL: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

WL: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

✠ THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

✠ THE LORD'S PRAYER

WL: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**All: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name;
Thy kingdom come;
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom and the power
and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

✠ PAX DOMINI

WL: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

All: Amen.

DISTRIBUTION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

COMMUNION HYMN

DEEP WITHIN

The congregation sings each refrain. The choir sings the verses.

**Deep within I will plant my law,
not on stone, but in your heart.
Follow me, I will bring you back,
you will be my own, and I will be your God.**

✠ DISMISSAL

WL: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart in peace.

All: Amen.

✠ CLOSING PRAYER

WL: Let us pray. God our host, at this table you have fed us with joy and gladness. Send us forth, eager to share the feast, welcome the immigrant and the stranger, and bear good fruit in the name of Jesus.

All: Amen.

✠ BLESSING

WL: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

All: Amen.

✠ SENDING HYMN

PEOPLE LOOK EAST



1 Peo - ple, look east. The time is near of the crown - ing
2 Fur - rows, be glad. Though earth is bare, one more seed is
3 Stars, keep the watch. When night is dim, one more light the
4 An - gels an - nounce with shouts of mirth him who brings new



of the year. Make your house fair as you are a - ble,
plant - ed there. Give up your strength the seed to nour - ish,
bowl shall brim, shin - ing be - yond the frost - y weath - er,
life to earth. Set ev - 'ry peak and val - ley hum - ming



trim the hearth and set the ta - ble. Peo - ple, look
that in course the flow'r may flour - ish. Peo - ple, look
bright as sun and moon to - geth - er. Peo - ple, look
with the word, the Lord is com - ing. Peo - ple, look



east, and sing to - day— Love, the Guest, is on the way.
east, and sing to - day— Love, the Rose, is on the way.
east, and sing to - day— Love, the Star, is on the way.
east, and sing to - day— Love, the Lord, is on the way.

✠ SENDING

WL: Go in peace! Serve the Lord!

All: Thanks be to God.

COPYRIGHT ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

THE HOLY BIBLE, NEW INTERNATIONAL VERSION®, NIV® Copyright © 1973, 1978, 1984, 2011 by Biblica, Inc
* Used by permission. All rights reserved worldwide.

Liturgy from Lutheran Service Book.
© 2006 Concordia Publishing House. Used by permission. License # 000011676

KINDLE A FLAME

Text and Music: John L. Bell

Copyright © 1987 Words: WGRG, c/o Iona Community, Glasgow, Scotland (Admin. by Wild Goose Resource Group)

and Music: 1987 WGRG, c/o Iona Community, Glasgow, Scotland (Admin. by Wild Goose Resource Group)

CCLI Song # 880171 -- CCLI License # 1284252

DEEP WITHIN – Text and Melody: David Haas

© 1988 GIA Publications, Inc., Chicago. All rights reserved. Reprinted by permission. OneLicense.net License # A-719380

PEOPLE, LOOK EAST - Text: Eleanor Farjeon, 1881-1965

Text © Miss E. Farjeon Will Trust, by permission of David Higham Associates.

All rights reserved. Reprinted by permission. OneLicense.net License # A-719380



PRINCE of PEACE
LUTHERAN CHURCH AND PRESCHOOL

1515 South Semoran Blvd, Orlando, Florida 32807

English: 407.277.3945 Español: 407.306.0909

staff@poporlando.com www.poporlando.com